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TO AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

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SUBJECT: REPLY TO CONGRATULATIONS FROM PRESIDENT KAUNDA TO
PRESIDENT FORD ON HIS ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT
KAUNDA FROM PRESIDENT FORD: QTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: THANK
YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE
AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. PLEASE BE ASSURED OF MY
FULL COMMITMENT TO THE QUEST FOR WORLD PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION AND TO CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP AND CLOSE TIES
BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD UNQTE

2. FYI, ZAMBIAN EMBASSY SENT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DEPT. ON
AUGUST 9: QTE YOUR EXCELLENCY, I SEND YOU OUR GREETINGS
AND HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR ASSUM-
ING THE HIGH OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING IN CLOSE COOPERATION
WITH YOU IN PROMOTING PEACE, JUSTICE AND UNDERSTANDING
AMONG ALL PEOPLES AND NATIONS OF THE WORLD. IT IS OUR
FERVENT AND SINCERE HOPE THAT YOUR ADMINISTRATION WILL OPEN
A NEW ERA IN THE FURTHERANCE OF OUR COMMON IDEALS OF HUMAN
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DIGNITY AND INDEPENDENCE FOR PEOPLE STILL LIVING UNDER

COLONIAL AND OPPRESSIVE RACIST REGIMES. YOU CAN COUNT ON OUR
FIRM OBJECTIVES. I WISH YOU CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH. SIGNED
KENNETH D. KAUNDA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA.
3. NEITHER DEPT.NOR WHITE HOUSE PLANS RELEASE TEXT OF
REPLY BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO ITS RELEASE BY GRZ. KISSINGER

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